Report to the Kentucky Library Association Board President March 5, 2011 Lexington, Kentucky

Correspondences

I received a letter from First Lady Jane Beshear regarding her initiative to bring literacy awareness to Kentucky. Her office is partnering with the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development, the Kentucky Education Association, the Kentucky Reading Association, the Kentucky Council on Teachers of English and Language Arts, and the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives to host the first annual *Kentucky Literacy Week* from February 28-March 4, 2011. On behalf of the Kentucky Library Association, I responded with a letter stating that the Kentucky Library Association is proud and honored to endorse Kentucky Literacy Week. I hope your communities participated in Kentucky Literacy Week.

Meetings

I attended the State Advisory Council on Libraries meeting in December.

Terry Buckner, President-Elect and I attended the American Library Association's Midwinter Conference in January. We represented the Kentucky Library Association at the Chapter Leaders Forum, Chapter Relations Committee meetings, and were announced at the ALA Council I meeting. We also solicited prospective vendors for the fall conference in the exhibit hall.

I will be attending the 2011 KPLA/KLTRT Conference, April 11-13, in Lexington, KY. I will also be attending the 2011 KLA Academic and Special Library Sections, and Special Libraries Association Kentucky Chapter Conference, April 13-15, in Prestonsburg, KY. Unfortunately this means I will not be able to attend the State Advisory Council on Libraries meeting, April 15, in Frankfort, KY.

I will be attending the American Library Association's National Library Legislative Day with a Kentucky contingent May 8-11, 2011 in Washington, D.C. to advocate for our libraries.

News

While at ALA Midwinter, Terry and I were approached by Barbara Jones, ALA Intellectual Freedom Director, about a possible collaboration project. The Office for Intellectual Freedom received a grant from the Open Society Institute. There are funds for a one-time only program on privacy for the general community. They would like to focus the program on an immigrant community. Barbara chose Kentucky as the state she wanted to do the program with. We have put Barbara in contact with Nancy Browning, Assistant Director of Public Services at Louisville Free Public Library and Betty Admishani, Manager of the Village Branch of the Lexington Public Library. We are awaiting further information.

Respectfully submitted,

Leoma Dunn President